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The Name in the Sand.

BY GEORGE D. PRENTICE.

Alone I walked the ocean strand,
A pearl shell was in my hand;
I stooped and wrote upon the sand;
My name, the year and date;
As onward from the spot I passed;
A wave came rolling high and fast,
And washed my lines away.

And to methought 'twil quickly be
With every mark on earth from me.
A wave of dark oblivion's sea
Will sweep across the place
Where I have trod the sandy shore
Of Time, and be to me no more;
Of me, my day, the name I bore,
Leave no track or trace.

And yet with him who counts the sands,
And holds the water in his hands,
I know a lasting record stands
Inscribed against my name,
Of all this mortal part has wrought,
Of all this thinking soul has thought,
At from these fleeting moments caught,
For glory or for shame.

ORIGINAL STORY.

WRITTEN FOR THE RUTHERFORD STAR.

MAGGIE MINTON'S TRIUMPH,

OR

"IF IT HAD NOT BEEN."

BY NELLIE NIGHTINGALE.

PART I.

Come to-morrow at five Little Elvira.

to-night, and tell him he is free. O! can it be that he too has forgotten me so soon. Her reverie here was broken by the Postman's loud rap, on his evening round.

Good evening, Miss Maggie, was the respectful salutation, a letter for you. How well she knew that plain bold hand, and as she broke the seal, she thought none could write her name as prettily as he could. Back again to the window, and there sitting in the twilight, she reads the cruel letter, that separated her forever from the only man she has ever loved. See how eagerly she reads again, and again, those cruel words, see those bright eyes tremble, and hear the weary moan, that at last escapes from those parted lips.

"Miss Minton I believe my Ella's term expires to-day, and I have called to pay you for the coming quarter, provided you will take your little charge for another term."

"Certainly, Mr. Stanly, Ella and I, are fast friends and it would be cruel to part us now."

"Yes papa," interposed the enthusiastic Ella, "I love Miss Maggie better than any one in the world excepting you." Mr. Stanly smiled at this remark, and with another stately inclination of the head and a pleasant, good afternoon, left pupil and teacher to pursue the lessons of the hour.

Maggie Minton looked once more out into the thickly gathering darkness, then with a quick nervous start, took down her water-proof cloak, put on her little straw hat, and was soon hurrying down the stairs, out on the busy street, on her way home, tripping along, unmindful of the hurrying to, and fro, of home returning pedestrians and the busy world about her.

It was indeed a bright cheerful little home, that one Maggie was going to, with its cool parlor, and cozy arm chair. The long French windows, draped with the finest of lace curtains, and its bright pictures gave it such an air of comfort.

And then in an adjoining room, the daintily spread table with its silver, and china had more than it was custom to be interested in her pupils merry chat.

She told her too, how her dear mama had died when she was a wee little baby, and now she was a great big girl, eight years old. And she told her how lonesome she was in the great home on the hill, with no one for company but the old house keeper.

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"My daughter you are ill to-night," said Mrs. Minton, noticing for the first time her child's troubled countenance.

"No, Mother," was the quiet reply, "I am not ill, but I have received a letter from Charles this evening, which although expected had troubled me some," and then she laid the letter in her mother's hand.

Mrs. Minton was grieved and shocked at the contents of this letter, but she was an even minded woman, and thought what had happened was all for the best, knowing now, that Charles Lingard was not worthy of the child, and his object in first addressing her had been this: He thought her heiress to all the vast estate Judge Minton was supposed to own.

It was the love he had given Maggie. And she, in return, had given him the purest, truest, affection woman ever gave to man, looking upon him as an embodiment of all that was good and noble.

PART II.

"Mother, please call me early in the morning, I have a new pupil at eight, and must be up early," said Maggie that night previous to retiring. Then she stole away to her own little room, to ponder over what had happened and read again that heartless missive; then seating herself by the window, she looked out into the beautiful moonlight night.

"Oh! how lonely she was, how she longed to lay her aching head down where it could rest and soothe its wild throbbing. Oh! how often would not have been, if papa had not died, she moaned, and still she realized now, the truly unworthiness of her lover.

At an early hour the following morning Maggie was on her way to the music room. None would have thought by the light quick step, and smiling face, that she had thrown aside the previous day her first, and only love. At eight o'clock came Maggie's new pupil—a maiden lady of uncertain age, who struggled faithfully

for one hour, over crochets, and quavers, with Maggie as a meek little instructor. This over, other scholars came in their turn until six o'clock came, when a little light pit-a-pat sounded on the stairs, followed by a step less light, and more manly. This is the way the girl is an heiress. By the way, she looks some like an old sweet heart of mine, that I had quite a flirtation with, while in C——, she was to be heiress to all her father's property, but the old man died, and did not own a cent, so she is now as poor as a church mouse.

"Don't know George, all I can learn is, they are just from Europe, where they have been traveling some years, and the younger lady is an heiress. By the way, she looks some like an old sweet heart of mine, that I had quite a flirtation with, while in C——, she was to be heiress to all her father's property, but the old man died, and did not own a cent, so she is now as poor as a church mouse."

"But I must get an introduction, as she seems to be creating quite an excitement here. What if I could make an impression on the ladies mind, and win my fortune at one sweep. II—old boy

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THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER.—Francis Justice Esq., for some time editor of this paper has retired from that position.

U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.—This Court will open at Morganton next Monday. His Honor Judge Brooks to preside.

REVIVAL.—Rev. C. B. Justice closed a protracted meeting at Lloyd's Creek Church on Thursday last, which had been in progress for thirteen days. We learn that forty joined the church, and were baptised at Island Ford on Thursday morning.

MAGGIE MINTON'S TRIUMPH.—On our first page we give quite an interesting story, written by our Ohio correspondent, to whom we are indebted for several original articles lately. She wields a pen with a fascination and fluency which causes all who commence her articles, to read them through. We hope to be able to give our readers in the future, more from her pen than in the past.

SUPREME COURT.—The Supreme Court of North Carolina adjourned on the 2nd inst., having been in session for about two months, 120 cases were argued and disposed of by the court.

The cases from this country were disposed of as follows:

Porter et al. vs. Williams et al, continued to next term.

Parker, vs. Carson—Judgment affirmed.

Mode, vs. Long—a new trial was granted.

NORWAY OATS.—We sowed very late last Spring one peck of these Oats on something over half acre of ground, and it being very rich, we lost by a heavy growth of weeds. After the Oats were harvested, hogs got to the Oats and eat, we do not know how many, but when we had them threshed, and cleaned, we measured up ten bushels.

We believe Norway Oats will be a success in this country, and shall be glad to notice any experiments our friends may make with them.

SPARTANBURG MAIL ROUTE.—Through the influence of Hon. A. H. Jones, our Representative in Congress, a post road has been established between this place and Spartanburg, S. C. Services will no doubt be ordered soon.

We shall be glad to see the mails start on this route, and hope it will be a tri-weekly mail, as Spartanburg is an important point with us to be reached by mail facilities, as much of the trade of this county goes there.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.—We give in to-day's paper such news as we have in regard to the war between France and Prussia. We have no very strong prejudices in the fight, believing it to be a war between the aristocracy, and one in which the common people feel but little interest. Yet we shall try and keep up with all important moves, and give our readers what is going on as a matter of gossip.

A Soldier's opinion of Col. Kirk.

(From the N. Y. Tribune.)

SIR: I have noticed recently in some of the issues of the Tribune, statements from others, rather tending to mislead the public in regard to one Col. Kirk of North Carolina, who now seems operating pretty vigorously against the people in certain sections of that State.

Permit me to state that I knew Col. Kirk when he was

in command of the Third North Carolina Union Volunteer Regiment composed principally of fugitive Union men from Western North Carolina and Tennessee, and I knew him to be of the right character to mete out even-handed justice to those in his country who were Rebel guerrillas during the war, and who now largely compose the "Kuklux." I was a fugitive from a rebel prison late in the Autumn of 1864, and with several comrades was scouting my way to the Union lines, and passed through the field of his operations, being for a day under protection of his command when nearing Knoxville, Tenn. Among the true blue Unionists of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee Col. Kirk was their right-hand man, leader, and protector. In many instances he thoroughly whipped organized bodies of these Rebel outlaws, much more numerous than his command present at these combats and was indeed a perfect terror to these miscreants, these enemies of mankind.

I have no doubt that he is doing in his State as good service to-day in his earnest efforts to sustain law as he was the General Government at the period when I first became acquainted with his character and operations. I feel well assured that he will molest no law-abiding citizens of his State, and that he knows the status of those with whom he is now reported as dealing summarily. I think "he is the right man in the place," and that our Northern Republicans ought to back him against the whole array of traducers and slanderers. If it is necessary I can bring the best of cumulative evidence that we all ought to stand by this conspicuously gallant and efficient officer, who ever the friend and protector of Unionists, and the deadly, uncompromising enemy of their infamous oppressors. I can forgive a brave enemy, but these outlaws I have a never-ending hatred for on good grounds, for their atrocious record compares in enormity only with that of such fiends as our savage brethren, Red Cloud and his band; and moreover, without the shadow of a reason for it, while the Indians has some basis for his conduct toward the white.

Yours in spirit and in truth,
HORACE H. WALPOLE,
Late Colonel 122d N. Y. I. F.,
Sedwick's Sixth Corps.

Syracuse, N. Y., July 23, 1870.

News Items.

RICHMOND, Aug. 3.—Hon. Charles H. Porter was this morning nominated by the Republican Convention here for re-election to Congress.

The *State Journal*, the Republican organ, repudiates the action of the Congressional Convention which nominated Porter to-day for re-election to Congress claiming that he was nominated by the proscription portion of the Republican party who wish to keep liberal men out of it.

NORFOLK, August 3.—At the Radical-Republican Convention held to-day in Portsmouth, James H. Platt, Jr., the present member of Congress from the second district, was nominated by nearly a unanimous vote for re-election.

Foreign News.

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Garde Mobilers are going forward to Challens as fast as possible. The people there receive them with great enthusiasm. The *Moniteur* says there will be no *feu* in Paris on the 15th of August this year. The Emperor will not go to the front on a visit as reported.

It is rumored that England and the United States are urging negotiations whereby Hamburg and Bremen shall be kept open ports, during the war.

London details of the Saarbrücken fight says, it began at 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The French passed the frontier in force; the Prussians were driven from their strong position, by a sharp artillery fire of the French. The latter remained master of the position which they had won without serious loss. The Emperor and Prince Imperial witnessed the conflict and returned to Metz to dinner.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The following is given to-day as the number and disposition of the Prussian army: The Duke of Mecklenburg commands 10,805 men at the mouth of the River Elbe; Falkenstein has 68,000. The army of the Rhine consists of the following bodies, 80,000 Men at Coblenz under Steenitz; 180,000 at the junction of the Maine with the Rhine under Prince Frederick Charles, and 166,000 along the upper Rhine under Prince Royal, Frederick William, chiefs of staff are Motte, Blumenthal, Sparing and Steple. Three hundred pounds are paid in Paris for substitute and are scarce.

It is understood all war correspondents have been finally expelled from both lines. Horses are said to be scarce in both Germany and France. The Germans need them for cavalry, the French for artillery. The Danish press is favorable to France. Dutch troops now occupy Harlem and Utrecht, and various points on the Yazole.

It is said that Mad'le Nilson is paid 25,000 pounds sterling, for six months, the contract to sing in the United States, she is to receive 5,000 pounds as a gift, on starting for America.

BERLIN, Aug. 3—King William has issued a proclamation, at Mayence, assuming supreme command.

PARIS, August 2.—Reports from headquarters received up to 1 o'clock this morning indicate no change in the military situation. The *Figaro* of to-day announces the death of Gen. Gangal, commanding a subdivision at Strasburg.

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From England.

LONDON, August 9.—The following official dispatch is dated at Hamburg, in Patalinate, 9:45 A. M., August 8th: "Yesterday after the battle of Woerth, the enemy retired in the greatest disorder. The French artillery endeavored to make a stand at Niederbrun, but that town was taken by the Bavarians and the enemy retired on the route to Bistche. The cavalry of Wurtemburg captured the enemy's stores and four pieces of artillery at Reichsholzen. The dead and wounded covered

the route of the retreating army. This morning we have occupied Hazenau, evacuated by the enemy. The German troops hold both banks of the Saar, having occupied Sarreguemines and Forbach after slight resistance by the French."

Woman's Rights.

BY MRS. MOSE SKINNER.

Miss President, feller-wimmen, and male trash generally—I am here to-day for the purpose of discussing woman's rights re-ensuring her wrongs, and cussing the men. I believe the sexes were created perfectly equal, with the woman a little more equal than the man. I also believe that the world would to-day be happier if man had never existed. As a success man is a failure, and I bless my stars that my mother was a woman. (Applause.)

I not only maintain these principles, but I maintain a shiftless husband besides.

They say man was created first. S'pos' he was! Ain't first experiments always failures? If I was a betting man, I'd bet two dollars and a half that they are.—

The only decent thing about him anyhow was a rib, and that went to make something better. (Applause.)

And then they throw it in our face about Eve taking that apple. I'll bet five dollars Adam boosted her up in the tree and only gave her the core. And what did he do when he was found out? True

to his masculine instincts, he sneaked behind Eve's Grecian Bend, and said, "Twasn't me, 'twas her;" and women has had to father everything mean since, and mother it too.

What we want is the ballot, and the ballot we're bound to have, if we let down our back hair and swim in a sea of sanguinary gore. (Sensation.) Bring up your little daughters to love and caress the ballot, and when they are old and scrawny they will not depart from it. Teach them that man occupies no position that woman cannot fill, even to a pair of pants.

Teach them that without the ballot woman is simply a cooking and washing machine; that with it she can just rule her little roost. Give 'em little ballots to play with. We have plenty of ballot girls, but what we want is ballot women.

The male creature now sitting on this platform, whom the law compels me to call husband, says I've got ballot on the brain. He says I sleep with a ballot under my pillow, and dream I'm commander-in-chief of a large army of ballots, and am cleaning out everything that looks like a male sex, while the band plays.

"See the conquering hero cometh." Such remarks prove that man was created lower than the beasts of the sea, the carion of the air, or the rhinoceros upon the prairies. And what can be expected from this man Skinner, whose intellect is lower than that of a common quahog. (Applause.)

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Have I overdrawn this picture? No, sir. And if any man dares to say I have, I'll guarantee to send him home on a shutter in less than ten minutes. (Emotion in the audience.)

But, my dear sisters, we can't all be Herods, but we can wear his tunic next our hearts, and press onward to the goal.

I ain't got time to enumerate all the talented men that have taken this view of the thing.—Capt. Wirz done very well at Andersonville, but his sphere was limited.

Coming down to the present day, where do we find women? We don't find her. In ten cases out of nine she finds herself.—Come with me to the worst portion of our great city. After ascending thirty-one flights of rickety stairs, what do we find? A miserable basement. In one corner sits a wretched woman, once the belle of the city. She makes vests. Twenty-four vests for a cent. Not a morsel of food has passed her lips since fall. Around her are fourteen children crying for bread. But, alas! she ain't got no bread, but with tears in her eyes she mournfully divides among them the last half of a tall low candle.

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But, my dear sisters, I am not here simply to touch your pockets also. A thing of this kind can't go on without money, and I hereby call upon four of the most able-bodied sisters, who feel that 'tis sweet to be on their muscle, to pass around the hat. Think of the greatness of our cause, and its effect on thousands of ancestors still unborn. Think of your altered fatesides, where widowed mothers with dissipated husbands press their orphan children to their bosoms. Think, O, think, of George Washington at Mr. Valley's forge, barefoot and shodless.

They are not a vile race, but a noble race, and I am here to clean up the best of them. They are not a race of scoundrels, but a race of honest, upright, God-fearing people.

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